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Mr. Geoffrey H. Griffis
Chairperson
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 210
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: BZA Appeal No. 16679
3020 43rd Street, N.W. (Square 1621, Lot 70)

Dear Chairman Griffis:

I live immediately adjacent to the above-referenced property and was the successful appellant in BZA Appeal No. 16405 which established that Mr. Sisson had illegally obtained five (5) building permits. Similarly, I was a party in opposition to Mr. Sisson's unsuccessful after-the-fact variance application in BZA Case No. 16521. Five years later, Mr. Sisson has steadfastly refused to voluntarily bring his property into compliance, failed to properly maintain the property, and improperly received the Homestead Discount for owner-occupied property. I respectfully request to intervene in these proceedings as a party in support pursuant to 11 DCMR 3106.2.

As the owner of the immediate adjacent property, it is well established that my interests in this matter are direct, substantial and longstanding. The improvements illegally constructed by Mr. Sisson continue to have an immediate and ongoing negative impact on my property and quality of my life, including visual obstruction by the illegal front porch, the excessive scale and proximity of the improvements, drainage onto my property and erosion, the blocked access to the rear of my property, unsightly condition of the property and yard, and skyrocking real estate tax assessments arising from the over-improved condition of the Sisson property.

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For the foregoing reasons, I respectfully request the Board to grant me party status for the upcoming appeal hearing. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mildred R. Crary

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cc: Mr. Robert J. Stein
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